

REMARKS

Claims 1, 4-7, 10-13 and 16-20 are pending in the present application. All claims stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-16 of U.S. Patent No. 6,258,317.

Applicants submit herewith a Terminal Disclaimer in the present case to obviate the rejection of obviousness-type double patenting.

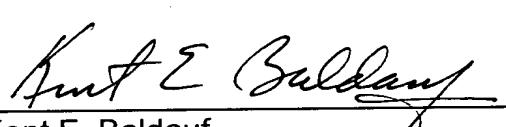
This application was assigned to INCO Alloys International, Inc. On December 22, 2003, Applicants filed a Notice of Change of Name of Assignee from "INCO Alloys International, Inc." to --Huntington Alloys Corporation--. For the Examiner's convenience, Applicants enclose a copy of our earlier-filed Notice of Change of Name of Assignee.

With this submission, it is believed that pending claims 1, 4-7, 10-13 and 16-20 are in condition for allowance. The Examiner's reconsideration and favorable action are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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